

Meeting Summary

I-17 Construction Open House (North of Loop 101)

Meeting Purpose

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) hosted two public open house meetings August 28 and 29, 2007, to inform the community about current and upcoming construction activities on Interstate 17 north of Loop 101 to Anthem Way.

Staff from ADOT and the construction contractor attended the open house to answer questions and address any concerns about the projects from citizens. Presentation boards and maps of the project area were available for public review.

Meeting Dates

Meetings were held:

Aug. 28, 6-8 p.m.
Sandra Day O'Connor High School Cafeteria
25250 N. 35th Ave., Phoenix

Aug. 29, 6-8 p.m.
Boulder Creek High School Cafeteria
40404 N. Gavilan Peak Pkwy., Anthem

Attendance per Sign-in Sheets

August 28 meeting: 52 attendees
August 29 meeting: 65 attendees

Summary of Comments

August 28 meeting: 9 comment cards submitted
August 29 meeting: 8 comment cards submitted

In general, comments from attendees were positive, with most attendees expressing thanks for the opportunity for the public to learn more about current and future construction plans and speak one-on-one with project staff. Attendees also appreciated the way the information was presented.

ADOT also received praise for the overall execution of the construction program to date, as well as the weekly construction e-mail updates.

Sample comments include:

"It was nice to be able to talk with all of the different ADOT Engineers present. It really provided me the scope of the project and why things are done in the order they are."

"Thank you for a great Open House! I like all the plans I have seen. Keep up the good work and keep building those extra lanes!"

“As daily commuters from New River to Phoenix and back, we were concerned about construction delays. However, the way you are doing the work has not caused that, and it is much appreciated. We also appreciate the information you are providing and the open nature of your dialog with the public. Thank You!”

Media Coverage

The open house was covered by Channels 3, 5 and 15.

Articles about the open house ran in the *Foothills Focus* and *Desert Advocate*.

Future Open House Meetings

ADOT will likely hold similar meetings in mid-2008, after the two I-17 widening projects are underway.

The Arizona Department of Transportation would like to thank everyone who attended these meetings. If you would like more information about I-17 improvements or construction, please contact us at projectupdate@lewin-associates.com or on our hotline at 480.890.3055 (Para Español, 480.529.3647).

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